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PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HIROYASU TSUCHIDA et al.

Application No.: 10/821,478

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For: SUSPENSION ASSEMBLY AND
ROTARY DISK STORAGE DEVICE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 7, 2006, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.